

**SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
INVITATION TO BID NO. 04-718  
TICKET STOCK FOR TICKET VENDING MACHINES  
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South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA), an agency of the state of Florida, operates Tri-Rail a seventy-two (72) mile commuter railroad with eighteen (18) stations in Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties.

**THE PURPOSE** of this Invitation To Bid (ITB) is to enter into an Agreement for the purchase of Ticket Stock for Ascom Model B8050 Ticket Vending Machines located at TCRA stations. Ticket Stock shall consist of Magnetic Strip tickets (offset strip, non-thermal), Non-Magnetic tickets and Registration Paper furnished on rolls. Purchase Orders for Ticket Stock will be issued on an as needed basis over the term of the Agreement.

**A REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS** should be directed to Anne M. Lodato at SFRTA, 800 NW 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 100, Pompano Beach, FL 33064, (954) 788-7912. The cost of the solicitation documents is \$25.00, non-refundable. Checks or money orders, made in favor of SFRTA, should be forwarded to Anne M. Lodato at the address above. Solicitation documents will be available on or about October 25, 2004.

**A PRE-BID CONFERENCE** will be held in SFRTA's Board Room at 800 NW 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 100, Pompano Beach, FL 33064, on November 9, 2004 at 10:00 AM. The purpose of the Pre-Bid Conference will be for SFRTA to respond to questions from document holders and clarify requirements in an open forum. Attendance is not mandatory but is highly recommended.

**REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION** regarding specifications or bid documents must be submitted to SFRTA no less than ten (10) days before the bid opening date.

**RECEIPT OF SEALED BIDS:** All Bids must be received in a sealed envelope no later than 3:00 p.m. on November 29, 2004 at the address above. All envelopes must bear the SFRTA provided label which clearly indicates the BIDDER'S NAME, ITB NUMBER & TITLE, and BID OPENING DATE.

SFRTA reserves the right to postpone, to accept, or reject any and all Bids in whole or in part. All Bidders must certify that they are not on the State of Florida Comptroller General's List of Ineligible Bidders. All Bids must remain in effect for one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of Bid Opening.

**TERM:** The term of the Agreement shall be for One (1) year, with four (4) one (1) year option periods.

**FUNDING:** This project is funded in part by a grant from the Federal Transit Administration. Any resultant Agreement shall be subject to all Federal rules and regulations.

**DBE PARTICIPATION:** SFRTA solicits and encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation. DBE's will be afforded full consideration of their responses and will not be subject to discrimination. SFRTA's goal for this solicitation is twelve percent (12%) of total contract expenditures.